(1) G.S.R. No. 457, dated 26th October, 1996 publishing the Border Security Force Junior Engineer (Civil) (Group 'C' posts) Recruitment Rules, 1995;

(2) G.S.R. No. 458, dated 26th October, 1996 publishing the Border Security Force (Medical Officers Cadre) Recruitment Rules, 1996. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT. 863/96]

Report and Accounts (1995-96) of the Garden Reach Shipbuilders Calcutta and Goa Shipyard Ltd. Goa and also MOU between them

श्री मुलायम सिंह यादव: महोदया मैं निम्नलिखित पत्र श्री एन.वी.एन. सोमू की ओर से सभा पटल पर रखता हूं:

I. कंपनी अधिनियम, 1956 की धारा 619क की उपधारा (1) के अधीन निम्नलिखित पत्रों की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में):—

(i) (क) 1995-96 के वर्ष के लिए गार्डन रीच शिपबिल्डर्स एंड इंजीनियर्स लिमिटेड, कलकत्ता का वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे, लेखाओं पर लेखापरीक्षकों के प्रतिवेदन और उस पर भारत के नियंत्रक महालेखा परीक्षक की टिप्पणियों सहित।

(ख) उपर्युक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण। [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT. 731/96]

(ii) (क) 1995-96 के वर्ष के लिए गोवा शिपयार्ड लिमिटेड, गोवा का वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे, लेखाओं पर लेखापरीक्षकों के प्रतिवेदन और उस पर भारत के नियंत्रक महालेखा परीक्षक की टिप्पणियों सहित।

(ख) उपर्युक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण। [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT. 732/96]

II. निम्नलिखित पत्रों की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में):—

1995-96 के वर्ष के लिए छावनी बोर्डों के वार्षिक प्रशासन प्रतिवेदन। [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT. 848/96]

1996-97 के वर्ष के लिए भारत सरकार (रक्षा मंत्रालय-रक्षा उत्पादन तथा आपूर्ति विभाग) और मझगांव डॉक लिमिटेड के बीच संपन्न सहमति ज्ञापन। [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT. 737/96]

1996-97 के वर्ष के लिए भारत सरकार (रक्षा मंत्रालय-रक्षा उत्पादन तथा आपूर्ति विभाग) और गार्डन रीच शिपबिल्डर्स एंड इंजीनियर्स लिमिटेड के बीच सम्पन्न सहमति ज्ञापन। [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT. 733/96]

MESSAGE FROM THE LOK SABHA

The Delhi Development (Amendment) Bill, 1996

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Madam, I have to report to the House the following message received from the Lok Sabha, signed by the Secretary-General of the Lok Sabha:

"In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Delhi Development (Amendment) Bill, 1996, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 10th December, 1996".

Madam, I lay a copy of the Bill on the Table of the House.

STATEMENTS OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD (Andhra Pradesh): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Statements showing action taken by Government on the recommendations contained in Chapter-I and final replies in respect of Chapter-V of the following Reports:

(1) 140th Report (7th Lok Sabha) on Semi-Finished Steel Products and Beedi Workers Welfare Cess.

(2) 40th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on District Industries Centres Programme.

(3) 104th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on Union Excise Duties.

(4) 108th Report (8th Lok Sabha) on (i) Purchase of residential building at San Francisco; (ii) Avoidable expenditure Purchase and repair of building in Dublin.

(5) 30th Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Union Excise Duties-Price Lists.

(6) 36th Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Refunds of Central Excise Duties.

(7) 73rd Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Family Welfare Programme.

(8) 80th Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Union Excise Duties-Non Vacation of Stay Orders from the Court.

(9) 94th Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Disinvestment of Government shareholding in selected Public Sector Enterprises during 1991-92.

(10) 119th Report (10th Lok Sabha) on Drawback of Duties-Fraudelent Drawback.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now, this matter in regard to the Women's Bill—where Mrs. Jayanthi Natarajan and others want the hon. Minister of Parliamentary Affairs to come was raised in the morning, just at the start of the Question Hour. I will call the Parliamentary Affairs Minister and get the whole thing cleared. Then we will come back to the House and let you know what the position is. There is still one week left for the Session to end. We will find out from the Government.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA (Karnataka): Madam, we have been refused time this week in the Business Advisory Committee.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We will be going to the Business Advisory Committee. We will discuss this matter. It is not only a question of the Bill being introduced. There are other questions also which have to be taken into account. There are certain recommendations made by the Joint Parliamentary Committee which considered this Bill. There are certain recommendations. They have to go to the Cabinet. There is very little time. They should immediately go to the Cabinet and come back. These two-three things are there.

Now, the Home Minister wants to say a few things. Mr. Home Minister, Prof. Soz and Mr. Salim want to make their submissions on the same matter. I think it will be better if they raise it first and then you react to it.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Will that be better?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I think so. It is about the Amarnath Yatra tragedy; the same thing. They have taken permission.

RE. AMARNATH YATRA TRAGEDY

PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ (Jammu and Kashmir): Madam, with your permission, I rise to express my deepest anguish over the tragedy that occurred on 21st August this year en route Amarnath in which many yatris lost their lives. Becuase I was not here at that time, I could not...

उपसभापति: शायद आपका माइक नहीं चल रहा है।

PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ: Sorry, it was not on.

Since I was not here at that time, I could not join you to express my deepest anguish over the tragedy that occurred in August en route to Amarnath. For this expression the occasion today is that the Home Ministry had constituted a committee—the Dr. Nitish Sengupta Committee-to look into all aspects of the tragedy. That Committee's report has been received by the hon. Home Minister, but something has happened meanwhile and it is nothing new to his Ministry—it happens with all the Ministries. It happened earlier also; I saw it for more than 15 years that even before the reports come to Parliament, they are leaked out. I think, the Hindustan Times carried, in two issues, a kind of synopsis of this report. I would request the hon. Home Minister to see, for future, that such reports should come before both the Houses of Parliament before they go to the press.

But the issue that I am raising, Madam, is that so many things have been said by the Dr. Nitish Sengupta Committee. I have seen this report. It is very brief, and when it comes we should discuss it. There are so many good suggestions for future. It was a man-made tragedy which could have been avoided. I am not going into the aspect as to who should be punished. There are some remarks about the Governor, and I am not going into that aspect also. I am coming to a positive aspect. But, before that, I must say that so many people joined the yatra because of coaxing by a political party. I do not want to create an